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Attorney Docket No.: Bayer 10,139.3-KGB (100717-502)
Customer No. 27384**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT : THOMAS KRAHN ET AL.
SERIAL NO. : 09/966,522
FILED : September 28, 2001
FOR : MASKING BACKGROUND FLUORESCENCE AND
LUMINESCENCE IN THE OPTICAL ANALYSIS OF
BIOMEDICAL ASSAYS
ART UNIT : 1641
EXAMINER : DO, PENSEE T.

April 1, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

SIR:

This is a petition to extend the period of time three months for responding to the Office
Action dated October 1, 2004.

Applicant is other than a small entity.

An amendment is filed herewith.

Please charge the petition fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263, and please charge the

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